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* SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" అధ్యక్షా, ఇదివరకు ఇందులో చేసిన మార్పు ఏమిటో నాకు బోధపడలేదు. ఏమి తెలియకుండా వోటు మాత్రము చేశాము. అందువల్ల, ఇప్పుడు ఇందులో మార్పు ఏమి చేశారో తెలియజేస్తే preamble లో వోటు చేయడానికి సహాయకరంగా ఉంటుంది. కనుక దయచేసి ఈ మార్పు ఏమిటో వివరించమని కోరుతున్నాను."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" నా మాటను అందరు వినినదానికి నా gratitude ఇస్తాను."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I now put the question to the vote of the House."

The question that the Bill as amended be passed into law was put and carried.

(2) THE MADRAS CHRISTIAN MARRIAGES VALIDATION BILL, 1952.

* THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—"Mr. Speaker, Sir. I beg to introduce the Madras Christian Marriages Validation Bill[a], 1952, and move—

'*That the Bill be taken into consideration at once.*'

" In moving this Bill, I have to submit that it is necessitated by a few mistakes and the object of the Bill is to rectify the after effects of those mistakes. Clause 2 sub-clause (1) refers to certificates granted by Sri Eragudla Devadoss of the American Baptist Telugu Mission, Nellore in having solemnized about 12 marriages as per Christian rights. It was brought to the notice of the Government that the gentleman concerned had died and hence the licence granted was cancelled by the Government. Subsequently it was brought to the notice of the Government that the information regarding the death was a mistake and hence the Government is bringing forward this Bill to validate 12 marriages solemnized by this gentleman. Clause 2, sub-clause (2) deals with the marriage performed by Rev. James Ponnurangam. The licence granted to Rev. James Ponnurangam was revoked on the 12th November 1946, and without knowing that his licence was revoked he solemnized one marriage. Certificates of cancellation of licences were granted in the case of both these persons and ignorant of the cancellation they have issued marriage certificates. Clause 2, sub-clause (3) tries to effect the validity of the certificates given by the two persons mentioned above and to serve as evidence in Civil Courts."

" Gentlemen, no rights are sought to be divested in respect of anybody else. It is only conferring rights on individuals who by mistake have lost them. I hope it will be passed without much difficulty."

MR. SPEAKER :—" This is a non-controversial Bill and I shall put the whole Bill to the vote of the House." 12-20 p.m.

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SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" The marriages are already made."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That the Madras Christian Marriages Validation Bill, 1952, be taken into consideration at once.' "

The motion was carried.

MR. SPEAKER :—" There are no amendments. The question is—

' That clauses 1 and 2 and the preamble do stand part of the Bill.' "

The motion was carried.

* THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" I move, Sir,—

' That the Bill be passed into law.' "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The motion is—

' That the Madras Christian Marriages Validation Bill, 1952, be passed into law.' "

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" Sir, I want, on behalf of this House to congratulate those couples who are benefited by this legislation." (Laughter.)

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That the Madras Christian Marriages Validation Bill, 1952 be passed into law.' "

The motion was carried and the Bill passed into law.

(3) THE MADRAS COTTON CONTROL BILL[a], 1952.

* THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras Cotton Control Bill, 1952 and move—

' *That the Bill be taken into consideration at once.*'

" This is a Bill to provide for regulating or prohibiting the cultivation of any specified variety of cotton, the mixing of any specified variety of cotton with any other variety of cotton and the possession or use of, or trade in, any specified variety of cotton in certain areas in the State of Madras.

" Sir, I wish to state in brief the reasons for bringing forward this Bill. The question of improving the quality of the cotton crop in this State by maintaining the purity of improved strains, increasing the production of commercially uniform qualities and preventing abuses through wilful adulteration has been engaging the attention of the Government for some time past. The Madras Cotton Control Act, 1932 provides for the prohibition of the cultivation of pulichai

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